

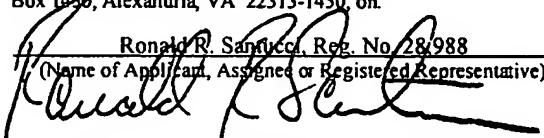
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RESPONSE AND DECLARATION—AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Dear Examiner:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on April 16, 2008, having a three-month statutory period for response that expired on July 16, 2008, Applicants hereby request an extension of time to respond and offer the following amendment of the claims and remarks in the above-identified application as follows: